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APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUINEA

Assistance in the Collection and Processing of Municipal Garbage for Use as Organic Fertilizer (GUI/78/015)

Report of the Administrator*

Date of present approval:	November 1978
Starting date of project activities:	May 1979
Planned completion date:	December 1980
To be executed by:	United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
Government implementing agency:	Ministry of Industry and Energy
Estimated cost of assistance planned under present approval:	$393 600
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. The increasing problem of municipal garbage management with its attendant public health hazards and environmental pollution problems, the growing depletion of organic matter in soils in the region of Conakry, the need to improve the output of market gardeners to support the city's growing population, the rising costs of chemical fertilizers, and the general need to stimulate industrial activity to support agriculture made it necessary for the Guinean Government to seek UNDP assistance in studying the possibility of processing municipal garbage in Conakry to produce organic fertilizer or compost.

2. Under a previous SIS project (GUI/75/808) information concerning the processing of municipal garbage for use as organic fertilizer was assembled and detailed plans and cost estimates made.

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II. Objectives and activities

3. The objectives of the project are to: (a) Establish a service for the collection of municipal garbage which the pilot factory will turn into organic fertilizer; (b) Install a garage and a central repair centre for daily simple maintenance and repairs; and (c) Provide training in efficient municipal garbage collection.

III. Inputs

4. UNDP inputs consist of the services of a project manager, a specialist in garbage collection, and a technician responsible for the maintenance and repair of the garbage collection equipment. An important equipment component will assist the Government in the purchase of materials required for the central repair centre. A number of fellowships are also envisaged.

5. The Government's inputs to be made directly to the project consist mainly of the purchase of trucks for the collection of the garbage. It will also provide the required counterpart personnel and assume the running costs of the operation, e.g. for water, electricity and labour.

IV. Financial data

6. The expenditure components of the UNDP contribution are as follows:

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International staff	128 000
Training	8 400
Equipment	255 000
Miscellaneous	2 200
	393 600

7. The estimated total value, expressed in US dollars, of inputs provided directly by the Government to the project is $50,000 in kind.